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Attorney Docket No. A03171US (98799.1)

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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

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6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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CLAIMS AS FILED – PART I

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FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	15 minus 20 =	* 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3 minus 3 =	* 0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))		

SMALL ENTITY

OR

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X \$ ____ =	
X \$ ____ =	
+ \$ ____ =	
TOTAL	375.

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

OR

RATE	Fee
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X \$ ____ =	
X \$ ____ =	
X \$ ____ =	
+ \$ ____ =	
TOTAL	

CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II

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AMENDMENT A		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
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TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
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AMENDMENT B		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))								+ \$ ____ =	
								TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

OR

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
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TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

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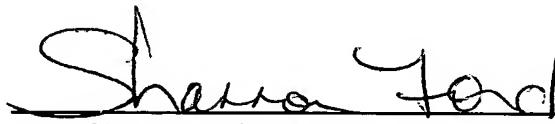
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	Attorney Docket Number	A03171US (98799.1)

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